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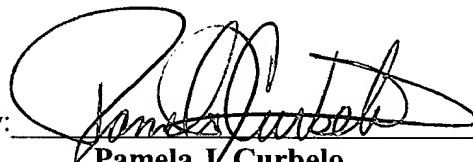
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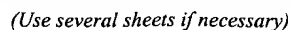
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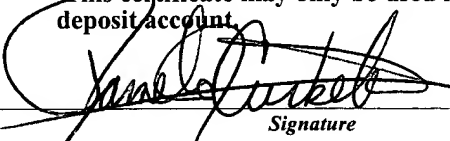
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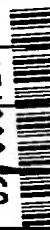
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*EXAMINER INITIAL	REF	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
		5,914,294	06/22/99	Park et al.			
		6,075,298	06/13/00	Maue et al.			
		6,107,759	08/22/00	Miller			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

	REF	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	Translation	
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		WO 96/33891	10/31/96	PCT				

OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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